

MANY MORE NEW HOMES IN SIGHT

Since the estimates of building in Mexico this year, which were made by the Ledger early in the summer and totalled close to \$750,000, the erection of fully another \$100,000 in residences has been started or is planned for completion by Fall.

Among the new homes are the following:

John Denser in Waddingham Park. R. R. Buckner is building a handsome stucco home on S. Washington street for Finley Johnson and upon its completion will erect another stucco residence just south of the Johnson home.

Frank Birkley is building a bungalow on West Monroe street just west of the William Groves home.

Mrs. J. V. Williams on West Love street, has started to remodel her home into a modern bungalow.

H. A. Chapin is remodeling the former Fred A. Morris home on East Promenade street and in the rear of his property, facing on East Liberty, is building a double apartment building with fourteen rooms.

Wallace Feutz, since completing a home for his mother on West Monroe street, has started a hollow tile and stucco bungalow for himself next door.

Kelly Quisenberry has started work on a residence on North Washington Street.

Chas. Criswell is preparing to build on North Clark. He has also removed the former Cauthorn home on N. Wade street and will build there this year.

There are several other homes under consideration of which three are to be located in Waddingham place. St and Nate Phillip are building a home in Woodlawn Place.

A frame house is being erected by Arthur Stewart on Northwestern Avenue.

Those interested in the lumber business say that this will be a record year for building unless there is a drought and the damage to the crops causes financial difficulties. Many farmers near Mexico are planning to build new homes and barns.

Will Be Sanitarium.

It is reported that the large three story frame building at Molino, built by Dr. Woods, of St. Louis, a number of years ago, is being remodeled into a rest cure sanitarium and will be completed soon. It is understood the building is being made modern in every detail.

Read Ledger 36 Years.

W. C. Shoup, of Laddonia, who is on the Jury this term of court, renewed the Ledger for his 36th year this week. Mr. Shoup is one of the Ledger's many longtime subscribers of whom we are justly proud.

Seriously Ill in the West.

A message was received by Will Woodward Thursday that his brother, Gip Woodward, who has been in a sanitarium in Colorado Springs for some time, is not expected to live. Mr. Woodward left for the West soon after receiving the message.

Mrs. Roth and little son, of Chicago, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rolla McIntyre. Mrs. Roth was Miss Grace McIntyre of this city and has a host of friends here.

Pay First Current 1922 Tax.

The first current tax of 1922 was paid Monday by Williams and Sharp.

Miss Alice Rouse of Omaha, Neb., is the guest of J. W. Rouse and family.

Mrs. Carl Woodson has returned from a week's visit in Kirksville.

C. M. Clay is driving a new Packard runabout.

DEATHS

Charles Henry England, 65 years old, died about one o'clock Thursday morning at his home on North Washington Street.

Mr. England was born in Montgomery County Aug. 19, 1856 and moved to Mexico about a year ago. He is survived by his wife, two sons, a brother, Joseph England of Reedsville.

The funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon at the home on North Washington street conducted by the Rev. W. C. Cowart.

The Ledger extends sincere sympathy to the sorrowing relatives and friends.

The funeral services of C. H. England were held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon at his home on North Washington Street, conducted by the Rev. W. C. Cowart. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Word has been received in Mexico, of the death of Mrs. Sue E. Black at her home in Fulton, Friday evening at 6:30. Mrs. Black had been in poor health for some time, but her death came unexpectedly. Funeral services were held at her home Sunday afternoon at 1:30, and burial was made at Concord. Quite a number from here will attend the funeral.

Mrs. Black was well known in Mexico, where she had often visited and had business interests. She was a relative of Mrs. John X. Brown and had a host of friends.

Mrs. Black was a devoted member of the Presbyterian church and part of her estate will go toward the endowment of Synodical and Westminster colleges of Fulton. The Ledger joins in extending sympathy to the bereaved.

The following article is taken from the Caldwell (Kansas) News. No one in Mexico seems to know the Frank Schodt mentioned, and the Mexico authorities have received no message concerning his death.

"The body of Frank Schodt, of Mexico, Mo., was found in the weeds along the Rock Island right-of-way Saturday. He was a man of 50 and was either the victim of a killer of had fallen from a moving train. He had been dead a week or more and his body was discovered by some harvesters. The coroner thinks he was murdered, about three weeks ago, and that an inquest would be of no use. He was buried in the plot reserved for indigent persons, subject to removal in case relatives are found and desire it."

Mrs. Susan A. Chadwell, widow of the late Rev. J. E. Chadwell, died Sunday at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Roy Watts of 4149 Delmar Boulevard, St. Louis.

She is survived by one son, Omer Chadwell of Higgins, Texas, a daughter, Mrs. M. E. Foster of St. Louis and one brother, J. E. Bradley of Fulton.

Funeral services were conducted at the Christian Church in Mexico of which she was formerly a member at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday by the Rev. J. D. Greer.

The Ledger extends deepest sympathy to the sorrowing relatives.

Col. James Swon, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. S. Hopkins in Auxvasse, last Thursday at the age of 94, had lived a very interesting life. He was a confederate veteran and in 1849 was one of the large number of gold seekers, who crossed the plains in ox wagons to California. On this trip he was made a "colonel" and hence the title by which he was commonly saluted the rest of his life.

Col. Swon is survived by three children, John C. Swon, Mrs. W. S. Hopkins and Clayborne Swon. The funeral services were held in Auxvasse Saturday conducted by the Rev. C. A. Mitchell.

MEXICO TRUANTS

FOUND IN COLUMBIA Raymond and Jack Neal, 12 and 14 year old, who ran away from their home in Mexico last Saturday, were found in Columbia Wednesday. The youngsters had walked to Columbia from McBaine on Monday. They said that they had been sleeping in the weeds and a man, whose name they did not know, had been feeding them. Chief of Police Rowland notified the authorities at Mexico.

Harry Rose, of Kansas City, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Rose. He and his brother, Fritz, will leave shortly on a motor trip West. They will drive to Denver and from there continue to the Pacific coast by train.

Mrs. J. E. Ross and Miss Julia Ross are at Mrs. Powell's for several weeks.

G. L. Stuart of Laddonia spent Friday in Mexico.

Judge E. A. Shannon went to Vandallia Friday afternoon.

Mrs. McDowell Botts is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Botts of Woodlawn Place.

Mrs. R. E. Christian and daughter, Julia Ann of Fulton were Mexico visitors Monday.

Grant Morthland Enjoys Ledger in Florida Home

The following interesting letter from Grant Morthland, formerly of this county, is from his home in Florida:

Ocala, Florida, May 25th, 1922.

Mr. Mitchell White, Mexico, Missouri.

Dear Mitchell:— I have a notice from you that it is time for renewal. I am so eager to get at the meat inside to look at the wrapper and so you have to remind me. People at home do not know how to appreciate a local paper, but just wait until you get away and then you look forward for it next to a letter from mother. It matters not how far you roam, there is never the interest in other people like where you were reared.

Well how's Florida? She is just fine, the longer I stay here the better I like it. The tourist do not get a fair impression of the state as few of them ever see the commercial side. It has been my privilege and business to travel a great deal in the past year and study Florida—getting at the inside of the developments of the state. When you see it in this light you will not help but wonder what it will be in ten or twenty years from now. If you will travel through the state you would not realize that there is any financial depression in America today on every side you see new fields being cleared, new enterprises spring up, and in the towns the building boom is going on unaltered. In Ocala there is probably more building in process and being contemplated than in the history of the town.

The people down here are awake to the importance of good roads, and are building them just as fast as possible. In the course of the next five years it will be possible to reach any point in the state on a well built hard surface road. For instance last fall there was a million seven hundred thousand available for completing the hard surfacing of the Dixie highway from the Georgia line to Orlando a little over two hundred miles, this is all bond money voted by the different counties, and not taking into consideration State and Federal aid. It is not a question of voting bonds in this State but when can we get them built. Many of the counties are not waiting for out side aid, but are going ahead with their own money and building them.

A letter from Florida with out a fish story is not complete, I am not going to tell you a story, but just invite you and any one who will come, to and let me take them to my favorite grounds. Here's the lay out: take a boat and start just below where the Silver Spring run joins the Ocklawaha River. This Spring is really a river itself and any one who comes to Florida and fail to see it will, missed one of the greatest sights in the state. But, back to my story, the water from this spring is as clear as the air, and for miles below the run you can see all about in the water distinctly get a boat with a GOOD KICKER, for you are going to need it coming back; a rod and reel and you are fixed, just drift along, as you will travel at the rate of four miles per hour and cast. I assure you that you will be able to get a good bass or jack fish on the other end of the line and then is when the fun begins for not only can you feel him but you can see all of his antics in fighting you, and don't worry about him not having them for they are game to the core. A day when they are striking good is nigh onto a perfect day.

We would be delighted to have a part of that rain you are having up there as it has rained very little for the last two months here, but of course this is a dry season here. It will start raining in a month and then we will have more than we need for a couple months.

It was with deep regret that I read of the death of our friend Dr. MacD. Botts. I fully intended to go up to Lake City and see him but I did not realize that his condition was so critical, and now he is gone.

Very truly yours, G. H. MORTHLAND.

Elwood Douglass, son of Dr. W. H. Douglass, formerly of Benton City, is now a reporter on the St. Louis Post Dispatch. He has been visiting in Mexico. Elwood is a former graduate of McMillan high school and has a host of friends here. His father is in the printing business in St. Louis and his many Mexico friends will be glad to know he is well and prospering.

Mrs. H. J. Maurer returned to her home in McAllen, Texas, Wednesday. She had been in Mexico to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. William Albus. Mr. Albus accompanied her home for a visit.

Albert Bailey and sister, Miss Alfaratta Bailey, of Edinboro, Mo., and Clyde Renken of Kansas City, motored to Mexico Thursday, and were guests of Miss Mabel Bailey.

The condition of J. A. Glandon who has been quite ill, continues to improve.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Sims, on June 12th, a son.

COURT HOUSE

Robert S. Nichols to Harry A. Chapin Warr. Consd \$3,000 Lots 6 and 7 and pt of 5 and 8 Blk 1 Jeffersons Add Mexico.

Robert S. McDonnell to Raymond T. Potts an Ada P. Potts Warr Consd \$1800. SE SW 38-50-11.

J. Asbury to Geo. Chadwick Warr. Consd \$1500 Lot 15 Block 1 Lakennan & Barnes So Side Add Mexico.

Henry Harley J. Kuntz to John J. Johnston Warr Consd \$1500. Lots 3, 4 & 5 Block 3 Harrison's Add Mexico.

City of Mexico to Austin Lewis, Cemetery Deed Consd \$75 Lot 113 Block O.

Sallie F. Rinaman by Sheriff to J. N. Livingston Tr Deed Consd \$1385 Lots 6 and 7 Block 2 Muldrow's Subdiv.

W. W. Harper to Clyde L. and Mary S. Hill, Warranty Cons \$1600 Lots 29 and 30 City Survey 45.

Geo. Simson to B. M. Jeffries Warranty Cons. \$2000 Lot 1 Blk 51 Orig. Vandallia.

O. C. and Cammie O. Blackburn to Lucy & Joe C. Baker Warranty Cons \$1900 Lot 5 Blk 5 Caldwell & McPike's Add Vandallia.

Jenette E. Murphy to O. C. Blackburn, Warranty Consd \$685 Lots 7 and 8 Block 45 Orig. Vandallia.

Alice C. Trimble to Frank L. and Elsie L. Howard Warranty, Consd. \$2200 Lot 3 Block C Richmond Pearson's Add Mexico.

Anna L. Weber to Robt. A. Weber, Warranty, Consd \$3000 SW 2-52-7.

Est. of I. I. Yount and Edith M. Yount to A. A. Carpenter Sher Deed Consd \$1000 N 1/2 of Sec 26 and N 1/2 of Sec 27 in 52-10.

In the estate of G. A. Lee, John A. Brook was appointed temporary administrator to pass on the claim of Emma L. Lee.

In the estate of G. A. Lee, Emma L. Lee, filed claim in the sum of \$527.50. Claim waived.

In the estate of Emma J. Hampton, G. W. Hampton, husband, filed renunciation of right to administration on the estate and Mrs. Onie Beal applied for letters of administration. Bond fixed at the sum of \$250. Bond given and approved and letters issued as prayed.

The administrator in the estate of Lizzie Reese Davis filed motion asking for an order to sell Liberty bonds to pay debts.

The executrix in the estate of McDowell Botts has filed inventory and appraisal showing the estate to be valued at \$2,375.

In the estate of Floyd F. Salmon, the Audrain Hospital, by Sarah H. Reitz, filed claim in the sum of \$22.50. Waived as the service only.

M. S. Bush Undertaking Company filed demand in the sum of \$205 in the estate of Floyd F. Salmon. Demand waived as to service only.

In the estate of Floyd F. Salmon, Wymore Brothers filed demand in the sum of \$48. Demand waived as to service only.

In the case of Olivia Thomas vs. Havern Thomas the case was dismissed by the plaintiff.

In the case of Elizabeth C. Copenhaver vs. Ray R. Copenhaver, the plaintiff was granted a divorce from defendant for non-support.

A decree in court was entered in favor of plaintiff in the case of M. E. Winacott et al vs. R. D. Young et al, perfecting lands in west Audrain County.

In the case of A. H. Alward et al, V. T. A. Rossen et al, judgment was entered for the plaintiff's perfecting title to lands in Audrain Co.

A citation was issued to Wm. Albus to answer as to personal property of the estate of Mrs. Margaret Albus. The answer was filed.

In the estate of Betty Torrington, W. C. Torrington makes application for letters as administrator. It was granted and bond was fixed at \$250.

The guardian for Marie Foley was discharged for want of any estate.

In the estate of John T. Hisey, John W. Howell, public administrator, was ordered to take charge.

Ara L. Corbin to Bernice Corbin, War Consd 500 SE NE Sec 8; W 1/2 of NW Sec 9; in 50-8.

Bert Lambourn to J. W. Trower Warr Consd \$1 and other consid. 240 acres in secs 13 and 14 in 52-6.

J. W. Trower to Bert Lambourn, Warr Consd. \$1 and other consid. Lot 8 Blk 19 Orig. Vandallia.

Will Adams to Grate Cates, Warr Consd \$5512 60 acres 29-51-10.

Clarkson Rollins et al to A. J. Baker, Warr Consd \$350.00 Lot 1 Blk 7 Original Laddonia.

Charles Oppers to Morris and Jessie F. Maupin, Warranty, Consd \$2000 38.25 Acres in 31-50-9.

Mary N. Beamer to Frank Armontrout Q C D Consd \$800, W 1/2 N 1/2 Sec 2 52-11.

Frank Armontrout to G. G. and R. L. Armontrout Warr Consd \$1600 W 1/2 N 1/2 2-52-11.

Grace Mapes to Claudia E. Kennett Warr Consd \$150 Lot 1 Blk 4 T. J. Bates Add to Mexico.

Thomas Bass to David Gibbs, Warranty Consd \$900 Lots 5 and 6 Block 13 Ladd's Add Mexico.

In the estate of Forest Neals, the guardian filed annual settlement showing balance due ward of \$149.20 which was turned over to guardian for support and education. Guardian was discharged.

In the estate of William A. Barnes, the will was produced and probated and bond fixed in the sum of \$500.

CONVENTION OF EPWORTH LEAGUE CLOSES THURS.

The annual convention of the Epworth League of the Mexico District of the Methodist Church, which was held in Mexico this week, closed Thursday night with an address by Dr. E. C. McVoy of Kansas City. Preceding Dr. McVoy's address there was a song service conducted by the Rev. A. C. Stormont of Auxvasse, and a solo by Mrs. Thurman Stallings.

The afternoon session was taken up by a debate between Centralia and Mexico on the subject: "Resolved that the Sunday School Should Displace the Epworth League as the Organization of Young People's Work." The decision was given in favor of Mexico, who represented by Miss Frances Grinstead and Linwood Robinson upheld the negative side of the argument.

Following the debate the following officers for the coming year were elected: President, the Rev. Ernest Jones of the Jefferson Avenue Methodist Church of Moberly; vice-president, Mary Sheets of Fulton; secretary-treasurer, Allene Reed of Mexico; Epworth League Agent, Miss Eba Adkinson of Tebbetts; Junior superintendent, Mrs. F. L. Norfolk of Moberly. All of these officers, with the exception of the Epworth League agent were re-elected to office from the preceding year.

It was decided that the convention should be held in Montgomery City next year.

The loving cup, which is awarded for the society with the highest efficiency record for the year, was awarded to Mexico for the third time Thursday. Owing to the fact that Moberly tied with Mexico for the honor last year the cup will be offered again this year and if again won by Mexico will become the permanent property of this society.

HIGH TAXATION RATE

IS EXPECTED TO LAST FOR QUARTER CENTURY

WASHINGTON, June 5.—American taxes will remain high for 25 years longer, chiefly because Europe will be slow in liquidating the debts for war loans made by this Government, high administration officials said today.

Foreign debtors offer no hope that they will be able to begin paying the principal of their obligations until many years have elapsed and this may never be unless there is an international agreement.

American taxpayers are paying about \$1,000,000,000 a year interest on the country's public debt. More than half of this debt represents borrowings from the people, later loaned to Europe. Europe's debts, therefore, will keep the tax burden heavy until a considerable proportion of the total of \$11,000,000,000 due is paid.

Treasury officials say that taxes necessary to pay the interest on the public debt constitute about one-third of the Government's entire revenue.

Henry Kohl, a grocer of Mason, the man who put in the granite walks in Mexico's business section years ago, died Friday night.

Mrs. R. Callaway of Kansas City is the guest of Mrs. J. F. McWilliams of Mexico.

Clara Lee Myers is home from Amarillo, Tex., where she has been for several months.

Miss Julia Ross is the guest of Mrs. W. W. Fry.

Miss Mary Frances Rowland is visiting in Columbia.

DR. F. W. EMERSON RETURNS FROM CONVENTION

Dr. F. W. Emerson, who has been attending the State convention of the Missouri Christian Missionary Society in Poplar Bluffs this week, returned to Mexico Friday night.

The meeting was really three conventions in one. The State Ministerial Association met on Monday and Tuesday and on Tuesday morning Dr. Emerson delivered an address on "The New Preacher" Tuesday noon. Dr. Emerson was the guest of the Kiwanis Club at their luncheon and spoke of them of Mexico and the Kiwanis Club here.

The Women's Missionary Society met Tuesday and on Wednesday and Thursday the State Missionary Society met at which time Dr. Emerson, who is chairman of the committee on State work, made a report and outlined the work for the coming year. A plan was adopted whereby the State organization voted to raise \$100,000 toward the building of a 250,000 church in Columbia. It was also decided to give the church at Rolla the sum of \$5,000 to complete their church building.

Friday evening Dr. Emerson spoke at Bowling Green at the District Epworth League Convention making an appeal for young people to undertake some form of Christian service, as a life work. At the close of his address six young men volunteered for definite Christian service.

Are Not Neutral.

"Of the five Democratic newspapers in Audrain county, the Mexico Intelligencer and the Vandallia Leader are actively for Senator Reed. The Mexico Ledger is against Reed and the Vandallia Mail and Laddonia Herald are neutral."

The above clipping was taken from Monday's Intelligencer and quotes the Vandallia Mail and Laddonia Herald as neutral upon the Senatorial question. And we take it from this that the Editor of the Intelligencer, who is very busy boosting the Reed Campaign, does not read his exchanges that come to his desk each week or otherwise he would not have quoted us as such, and of the five Democratic newspapers, only two are supporting Reed, The Intelligencer and the Vandallia Leader. No, no Mr. Editor of the Intelligencer, you have us all wrong, we are running in low, where we have power, and can put our man over, and the man that finds favor with the press is the one with a chance. We ask you, has Reed got this? We think not, with two out of five newspapers supporting him, is he the fellow with a chance? Watch us when we shift to high, at the primary when we feed the "Senatorial Racer" with votes for Reed's opponent.—From Laddonia Herald.

Report A Mistake.

"Of the five Democratic newspapers in Audrain County, the Mexico Intelligencer and the Vandallia Leader are actively for Senator Reed. The Mexico Ledger is against Reed and the Vandallia Mail and Laddonia Herald are neutral."—Mexico Intelligencer.

Brother Coontz editor of the Intelligencer is wrong AGAIN. If he would read the Mail he would know where we stood as we are not bashful nor ashamed of our stand. Of the five papers mentioned in the above article, three are for Mr. Long and two are for Mr. Reed indicative of what will happen in August.—Vandallia Mail.

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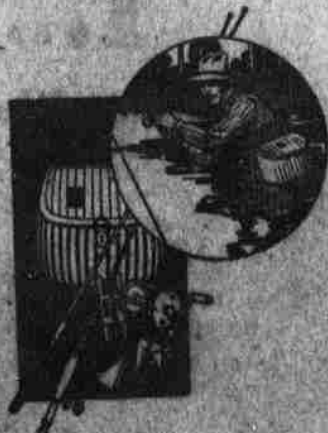
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